(ख) यदि हां, तो इस भ्रष्टाचार में दोषी पाये गये व्यक्तियों के नाम क्या हैं और उन्हें क्या दंड दिया गया है? और

(ग) क्या ऐसे ही घोटाले अन्य दवाइयों की खरीद में भी हुए हैं जिनकी बारे में एक संसद सदस्य द्वारा कई बार माननीय मंत्री का ध्यान आकर्षित किया गया था लेकिन अब तक उनमें से किसी पर भी कोई कार्यवाही नहीं की गई है?

स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (कुमारी सरोज खापर्डे): (क) एन्टासिड की विभिन्न ब्रांड की गोलियां बाजार में उपलब्ध हैं जिनकी संरचना तथा दरें भी अलग-अलग हैं। चिकित्सा सामग्री डिपो मांगकर्ताओं की विशिष्ट मांग पर एक लाख रुपये से अधिक कीमत की दवाइयों की खरीद पूर्ति एवं निपटान महानिदेशालय के माध्यम से करते हैं।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

(ग) इस संबंध में माननीय संसद सदस्य से एक पत्र प्राप्त हुआ था और उसकी जांच की जा रही है।

Criteria of freely distributed drugs under Category I

4260. SHRI M. KADARSHA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 162 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th July, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry was to prepare a list of drugs required for National Health Programme;

(b) the reasons for which drugs required for T.B. have been included in the list of freely distributed or commonly used medicines;

(c) what are the reasons for which these criteria have not been followed in the case of all the drugs in category-I and all the drugs required for the same programme have not been placed together; and

(d) what are the reasons for which Ministry has violated its own criteria in sending recommendation in respect of Rifampicin for change of category?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The drugs required for National T.B. Programme have been identified and these drugs figure under Category-I of DPCO.

Certain drugs required for other programmes which have not yet been included are being evaluated by the Ministry of Health for sending it to the concerned Ministry.

(d) Ministry of Health has not violated any criteria by examining representations received by it.

Reduction in the population growth rate

4261. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV:
SHRI NARESH C. PUGLIA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage of population growth rate likely to be obtained during the Seventh Five Year Plan period;

(b) what are the targeted birth and death rates during the same period; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to reduce the population growth rate in the country, apart from religion, race and other factors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) Seventh Five Plan targets envisage achieving a birth rate of 29.1 per thousand, a death rate 10.4 per thousand by the end of the plan